**UNAPPROVED - MEETING MINUTES**

February 21, 2024

The Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) met on Wednesday, February 21, 2022, at the State Emergency Operations Center, located at 7667 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, and via Teleconference.

1. **Call to Order**
   1. Chairman Euclid Talley called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
   1. GOHSEP, Jake Chatfield, conducted the SIEC roll call and a quorum was established.
   2. The following SIEC members were present or absent as noted:

| **Committee Members Present** | **Representing Agency** |
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| **Euclid Talley -** Assistant Deputy Director (ADD) of Homeland Security & Interoperability Division | Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) |
| **Steven Cockerham** –Designee for Adjutant General of the Louisiana National Guard | Louisiana National Guard |
| **Richard “Dick” Gremillion**, **Director** Calcasieu OHSEP | Regional Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director’s Committee |
| **Bill Vincent,**  Secretary/Treasurer APCO  Lafayette Parish Communications District (Ret.) | Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO) |
| **Robert Daughdril**  Emergency Preparedness Coordinator | Louisiana Ambulance Alliance |
| **Bryan Zeringue,** Chief  Thibodaux Police Department | Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police |
| **Stacey Blanchard, CPT**  Assistant Director, St. Martin Sheriff’s Office/OHSEP | Region 4 |
| **Richard McGuire**  Executive Director  Calcasieu Parish Communications District | Region 5 |
| **Ellis Boothe**  Parish Director | Region 6 |
| **Doyle Dempsey**, **MAJ**  Support Bureau / Asset Management  Bossier Parish Sheriff’s Office | Region 7 |
| **Robert “Bobby” Moore**,  Fire Service & Supply Technician, Ouachita Parish Fire Department | Region 8 |

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| **Committee Members Absent** | **Representing Agency** |
| **Jeb Tate** Director, IT & Telecommunications, Jefferson Parish Government | Region 1 |
| **Billie Metz Giroir**, **DPTY**  Chief Civil Deputy, West Feliciana Parish Sheriff’s Office | Region 2 |
| **Conrad Baker, CPT**  Technology/911 OPS Center  St. John Parish Sheriff’s Office | Region 3 |
| **Michael “Mike” Moore, SGT**  Canine & Patrol Division  Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff’s Office | Region 9 |
| **Pat Arnould**  Executive Director | Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs |
| **Robert Benoit, Chief**  Lafayette Fire Department | Louisiana Fire Chief’s Association |
| **Jayson Richardson**  Sheriff of Desoto Parish | Louisiana Sheriff’s Association |
| **Chris Eskew, LTC**  Deputy Superintendent | State of Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections, Public Safety Services, Louisiana State Police (DPS) |

1. **Approval of Minutes**

Bill Vincent made a motion to approve the October 25, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Doyle Dempsey seconded the motion. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2023 meeting.

1. **Chairman’s Report** 
   1. Chairman Euclid Talley began by thanking the members for attending the meeting.
   2. Interoperability Program Manager, Jake Chatfield updated the board on the status of the Hazardous Mitigation Grant Project.
   3. Statewide System Maintenance Report – Ravi Penumarthi with the DPS Radio Communications Section provided detailed information about the LWIN system. This presentation is available on the SIEC Website under the Meeting Minutes link.
2. **Advisory Committee Reports**
   1. Budget and Finance

No updates.

* 1. Technical

No updates.

* 1. Policy and Planning

No updates.

* 1. Training and Outreach

No update to training and outreach.

1. **Unfinished Business**
   1. Jake Chatfield updated the SIEC Board on the status of the Independence site, and what the next steps are for the project.
   2. Julio Peck from LSP discussed the status of the Ethernet Project was going along with the updated timeline
   3. The Policy and Planning Committee, and the SIEC Technical Committee will be having a meeting in March to discuss Motorola Smart Connect issues.

1. **New Business**
   1. Calcasieu Parish is requesting permission to build a new tower, and turn it over to the state. Steven Cockerham made a motion to approve, and Doyle Dempsey second the motion. The SIEC voted unanimously to approve the new tower.
   2. Jake Chatfield advised the board that the state is approving three people as COML’s, and COMT’s for the state. Asked the SIEC members to recognize more state personal to get certified.
2. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments at this time.

1. **Next Quarterly Meeting**

Chairman Euclid Talley advised the committee that without objection, the next quarterly meeting of the SIEC would be April 24, 2024 at 1:30 PM, in person at the GOHSEP’s EOC. There were no objections.

1. **Adjournment**

Richard McGuire made a motion to adjourn. The SIEC voted unanimously to adjourn at 2:35 pm.